

Iron County Register.

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IRONTON, MISSOURI.

"There's nothing in this world worse than smoking," says a physician. How about chewing?

Dr. Parkhurst remarks that he has nothing to say about anything or anybody. We all grow wiser as we grow older.

The world is going to break all records in gold mining this year, and there's no yellow journalism in that prediction.

A California man has a chicken that talks like a parrot. This one thing would reconcile some people to killing any animal.

The prosperity of Germany is said to be "amazing." The Kaiser is a great business manager, as well as a musician, an artist and a poet.

The announcement that J. Pierpont Morgan is to invest \$4,000,000 more in art indicates that he might attempt to buy the ancient treasure market.

Stuyvesant Fish has given his daughter, Marion, \$1,000,000 as a wedding present. She should not have to worry about the expenses of housekeeping.

"If you would overcome worry, sing all the time," advises Dr. Austin Flint. Which is merely a revised version of "Let the other fellow worry."

Evidently the New Jersey man who swam ashore and left the girl to drown was thinking more of his own carcass than of the possibility of winning a Carnegie medal.

The Chicagoan who gave his wife half his property on condition that she treat him affectionately has learned that the way to rule a woman is to give her what she wants.

"Savages in silks and satins sometimes sit in church seats on the Sabbath," says the Rev. Dr. C. P. Goodson. But if the effort is to convert the heathen, why object?

An English noblewoman sneeringly declares that American girls don't know anything about horses. This may be true in a measure, but we may proudly reply that American girls know a lot about sparking plugs and carburetors.

Lady Arthur Grosvenor, sister-in-law of the duke of Westminster, the richest duke in England, is traveling over that country in a wagon disguised as a gypsy. She intends to write a book about her experiences. From which it seems that the privilege of associating with a duke of old money does not prevent British high life from being dreadfully dull.

Now is the time when all those who play or work about the water should study the rules for restoring persons apparently drowned. The rules prepared for the United States life saving service direct that the efforts to produce natural breathing should be continued for from one to four hours. No mother would think that even five hours was too long to spend, if in the end her apparently drowned child opened its eyes and breathed again.

If Mr. Wright, he of Dayton, inventor of an airship, is right, some of us may be able to fly before we can afford automobiles, remarks the Indianapolis Star. He says: "With a proper soaring machine, which can be made for less than \$500, and with perfect control, I believe a man could hover over a ship like a gull all day without any fatigue, provided the wind were right." He adds that after quip flying there is no inclination to turn to anything else. Will Mr. Wright please hurry up his \$500 machines.

John Nicholas Brown, who is commonly mentioned as the ten-million-dollar baby by the New York papers, is now ten years old and rebels against having the dollar attached to him. The youngster is quoted as saying to his playmates: "Quit calling me that, will you? I'm just a plain kid like you. I want to get out and play ball and have a good time." He went on: "These old nurses chasing me around make me tired. I'm going to kick about it and get rid of them." This indicates that something worth while is to be expected of young Brown.

The favorable impression which Japanese make upon people of other nations is largely due to their courtesy, good manners, and the taste they display in doing the most ordinary things. When the crews of the Japanese warships, which lately visited New York, were allowed shore liberty, they had their choice between spending the day on the Bowery, the delight of every sailor's heart, and visiting Grant's tomb. They went to the tomb. Is there any other nation the sailors of which would use their shore leave in paying their respects to a national hero of the people they were visiting?

Queen Marie Amalie of Portugal, by her generous devotion to the cause of suffering, her foundation, endowment and supervision of innumerable hospitals and philanthropic institutions, her study of medicine, in which she now holds the diploma of a full-fledged physician, in order to enable her to understand more thoroughly the needs and requirements of the sick, and her exemplary private life should have endeared her to the people of her adopted country. But the contrary is the case. Instead she has roused nothing but abuse and animosity.

Among the surprising things which a mother discovered during a visit to New York was that of all the hotels in the city, the only one in which children are not allowed is the one conducted exclusively for women. This mother also discovered that at a restaurant which caters only to women, signs are posted informing customers that children are not allowed in the room. Well, why should this not be so? Ask Youth's Companion. If women run so far against nature as to flock by themselves, why should they expect the presence of children?

A RIFT IN THE CLOUDS.



KILLED HIS FAMILY

MICHIGAN FARMER RUNS AMUCK WITH AN AXE.

ATTACKS WITHOUT ANY WARNING

Is Finally Shot by a Neighbor, Who Is on His Way Back from Search for Help.

Nunica, Mich.—Henry Scutcheon, a farmer about 50 years old, living near this village, ran amuck with an axe, killing his invalid son, his wife and foster father.

Scutcheon was later shot by Henry McClellan, a neighbor, whom the crazed murderer had also attacked.

The Scutcheon farmhouse had apparently always been a happy home, except for the cloud which the son's invalidism cast over the family.

With no warning so far as is known, Scutcheon suddenly and brutally attacked his son with an axe. He then crushed the boy's head frightfully. When his wife interfered he turned on her and pursued the frightened, screaming woman from the house to the road, where he knocked her down with his weapon. He then rushed back to the house and murdered his foster father-in-law.

Next he tried to destroy himself. The maddened man gashed his throat and wrists with a razor and took some parais green. His wounds did not weaken him and the poison did not take immediate effect. Axe in hand, he returned to the road, where he had felled his wife a few moments before. The first blow did not kill her and she had been carried into the house of Henry McClellan, near by. McClellan rushed to another neighbor's for help.

When Scutcheon found that his wife was in the McClellan home alive, he smashed a window with his axe, jumped through it and again attacked her. This time he crushed her skull. He then left the McClellan home and returned to his own house, but when McClellan returned from his search for help the crazed man came out and started over toward him, saying: "I want you, too."

"I will shoot if you come across the road," replied McClellan, who had armed himself with a shotgun. Despite the warning, Scutcheon came across. McClellan thereupon shot him dead.

Killed a Woman in Germany.

Washington, D. C.—The state department received a communication from friends of Emil Simon, of New York, stating that he had been arrested in Germany for accidentally killing a woman with an automobile, and asking the department to care for his interests. No details of the affair were given, but Acting Secretary Adee promptly cabled to Ambassador Tower in Berlin, requesting him to give the matter his immediate attention.

Line Steamer in a Collision.

London, Eng.—The Atlantic transport line steamer Minnesota, Capt. Laverock, which sailed from this port, bound for Philadelphia, was in collision near the Nore Light vessel in the Thames, off Sheerness, with the small Wilson line steamer Zara of Hull. The Minnesota received considerable damage and was compelled to return to her dock at Tilbury. The Zara sustained no damage and proceeded on her voyage.

Merchant on the War Path.

Algiers, Morocco.—Enraged at their interference in his dispute with natives, a merchant of Melia shot and killed the public prosecutor, a customs collector and a native. He also mortally wounded an unidentified European woman.

Do Not Ask Eight-Hour Day.

Buffalo, N. Y.—Frank T. Hawley, national president of the Switchmen's Union of North America, made a statement denying any connection with the reported movement to get eight-hour day for switchmen.

Receiver Appointed for Hotel.

Los Angeles, Cal.—Henry S. McKee was appointed receiver of the Hotel Wentworth company, of Pasadena, in the superior court. The liabilities of the company are about \$400,000.

Winona Bars Out Cigarettes.

Warsaw, Ind.—The lid has been placed on tight at Winona Lake, S. C. Dickey, president of the assembly, announced before an audience of 2,000 that cigarettes will be prohibited hereafter.

Mrs. Russell Sage Donates.

New York, N. Y.—It was learned here that Mrs. Russell Sage had recently given \$250,000 to the association for the relief of respectable aged indigent females in the city of New York.

LAUNCH HIT TOW LINE.

Captain of Minnesota Reports to the Navy Department.

Washington, D. C.—Captain Hubbard of the battleship Minnesota has reported to Acting Secretary Newberry of the navy that he has had an experience in his steam launch very much like that which occurred in the case of a launch of the same battleship about six weeks ago, when a number of midshipmen lost their lives in Hampton Roads. His launch crossed a tow line inadvertently because the green light on the barge which was being towed was almost invisible in the thick weather. Another launch belonging to one of the Atlantic fleet has had a similar experience, also reporting that the light on the tow was indistinct. Acting Secretary Newberry has sent these communications to Supt. Uhler of the steamboat inspection service, asking him whether the regulations can not be amended so as to require these towns to have lights strong enough to insure safety for their craft.

LOCAL OPTION FOR COLONELS.

Women Won the Day for Temperance in Kentucky Town.

Cynthiana, Ky.—The conclusion of the bitter prohibition campaign yet waged in Kentucky, the drys Thursday carried Harrison county by 1,600 majority, and Cynthiana, the county seat and center of the fight, by 47 majority. Sixty days ago the wets carried Cynthiana by 34 majority. Throughout the day the wealthiest and most elegant women went into the negro quarters, slums and pools and worked for local option. They were everywhere and the victory is theirs. Thursday night 3,000 women and children gathered for service at the big local option tent on public square and celebrated the victory.

WILLIAM A. PAXTON DEAD.

Was Millionaire Business Man and Pioneer of Omaha.

Omaha, Neb.—William A. Paxton, Sr., pioneer and millionaire business man, dropped dead at his home in this city. Mr. Paxton was born in Springfield, Ky., 70 years ago. He came to Omaha at the age of 20 and has been identified with the interests of the city ever since. He was employed in the construction of the military road between Omaha and Salt Lake and later was one of the contractors who built the Union Pacific railway. Later he made a fortune in the cattle business in Nebraska and Wyoming.

Charged Excess Fare.

Raleigh, N. C.—The Southern Railway Company was fined \$30,000 and Thomas J. Green, ticket agent of the company, fined \$5 in the state court here for selling railroad tickets at a rate in excess of that provided by the recent state law for a uniform rate of 2 1/2 cents a mile in North Carolina. The court required Green to promise not to sell tickets at the illegal rate. Green made the promise and paid the fine.

Jury Acquits of Lynching Charge.

Charlotte, S. C.—The jury of Union county superior court in the case of John Jones, one of twenty citizens of Anson county charged with lynching John V. Johnson at Wadesboro, May 28, 1906, returned a verdict not guilty after being out half an hour. The jury took but one ballot and the verdict of acquittal was unanimous.

Wouldn't Believe a Chinaman.

Los Angeles, Cal.—A remarkable attempt at securing a jury is being made in the local police court, where G. S. Chan, a Chinese herb doctor, is being prosecuted by the state board of medical examiners for practicing medicine without a license. Three hundred talesmen have been examined to date, but all of them were unwilling to swear that they would give the same weight to the evidence of a Chinaman under oath as they would to that of a white man.

Engineer Murdered on Duty.

Norwalk, O.—William L. Roberts, engineer at the Ararat light and waterworks station at Milan, a few miles above here, was found dead on the floor of the engine room, and had evidently been murdered.

Refuses Pardon to Actor-Murderer.

Harrisburg, Pa.—The state board of pardons has refused to recommend a pardon for James B. Gentry, the actor, who was convicted of the murder of Madge York, an actress, in Philadelphia in 1896.

TORNADO IN ST. JOE

STORM WRECKS SCORES OF HOUSES.

THE STREETS ARE INUNDATED

Cellars Flooded and Car Tracks Torn Up—Many Persons Narrowly Escape Death.

St. Joseph, Mo.—A tornado and tremendous hail did heavy damage in St. Joseph and vicinity Thursday night. Houses were wrecked, street railway tracks torn out and cellars flooded.

The family of Daniel Riordan, one mile east of the city, had a miraculous escape from death. The residence, two stories in height, was torn from the foundation and demolished. Riordan, his wife and three children had taken refuge in the basement. They were buried under debris, but the wind lifted the house bodily from the foundation and none of the heavy timbers fell on them.

Lightning Strikes Dozen Houses. St. Joseph nestles in hills and the force of the tornado was broken. The sewers could not carry off the water and raging torrents flowed through the outskirts of the city.

Adam Zibowski attempted to wade one of these torrents. He was swept from his feet and carried toward the Missouri river, two blocks distant. He caught a telegraph pole and clung there 20 minutes until rescued by a party of men with ropes.

In Brookdale, a low-lying suburb, a score of families were driven from their homes by water, which reached the windows of the first floor. A dozen residences were struck by lightning, but no fatalities are reported.

The home of Fred Shoemaker, where a funeral party was caught by the storm, was struck by lightning twice and several persons stunned. Reports from farming sections east of the city say crops were leveled in the path of the storm and the loss will be heavy.

GIRL ATTACKED BY NEGRO.

After Frantic Struggle She Swooned and the Black Made Escape.

New York, N. Y.—Sadie Shaffer, a striking 17-year-old Jewish girl, who has been in this country only nine months, struggled for half an hour Saturday with Ben Williams, a young negro elevator boy, in the office building at 15 West Ninth street.

The girl applied for work on the fifteenth floor of the building. When she entered the elevator she was alone with the negro. "The elevator man threw his arm about her neck, covering her mouth with one hand and pushed the controller with the other. The car set out and stopped between the eighth and ninth floors. The struggle must have been ten or fifteen minutes. Finally the girl was overcome by the black and fainted. Williams escaped.

CONDEMNED MAN ROASTED.

Flames Leap From Joints of Ohio Murderer.

Columbus, O.—The electrocution of Henry White, convicted of the murder of Marshal Basore at Franklin, which occurred in the state prison here, was a horrible fiasco.

Twice the electric current failed to kill, while the condemned man writhed in agony. His swelling muscles almost burst through the straps that held him. When the third shock went through his body a sheet of flame enveloped him and flames issued from every joint in his body. The current was continued several seconds in spite of the flames, while the odor of scorching flesh filled the death chamber. When it was turned off the physicians pronounced the man dead. He had literally been roasted to death.

Fishermen Drown in Storm.

Vancouver, B. C.—Two fishermen lost their lives on Monday morning in what is regarded by steamship men as the worst storm they have ever seen in the northern end of the Gulf of Georgia. No information could be obtained regarding the identification of the cannery from which the boat had come.

To Try Russian Plotters.

St. Petersburg, Russia.—The preliminary inquiry in connection with the plot unearthed last May at Tsarskoe-Selo against the lives of the emperor, Grand Duke Nicholas and Premier Stolypin was concluded here. Twenty of the prisoners will be tried by court martial.

Wanamaker Stables Burn.

Philadelphia, Penn.—The stables on John Wanamaker's estate, Lyndenhurst, near Jenkintown, a suburb, were destroyed by fire, entailing a loss estimated at \$100,000. Lyndenhurst, Mr. Wanamaker's country home, was destroyed by fire February last, causing a loss of nearly \$2,000,000.

Meeting Ends in Riot and Death.

Palermo, Spain.—A meeting was held to protest against the arrest of Sig. Hunzlo Naxi, the former minister of public instruction, who is charged with embezzlement. Serious rioting followed the meeting, and the police and troops were stationed.

January Released.

Kansas City, Mo.—William January, or Charles W. Anderson, as he is known to the people of Kansas City, was released at 5:30 o'clock Friday morning from the federal prison.

Send Off for Counselor.

Constantinople, Turkey.—Peter Augustus Jay, who has been transferred from the post of counselor of embassy here to the same office in the American embassy at Tokyo, left for the United States. He was given a hearty send-off.

Longworths in San Francisco.

San Francisco, Cal.—Nicholas Longworth, son-in-law of President Roosevelt, and congressman from Ohio, and Mrs. Longworth, are at the Fairmont hotel on their way to Honolulu.

GUILTY OF KILLING WOMAN.

Herman Billik Sentenced to Hang for Murder of Mrs. Mary Vrzal.

Chicago, Ill.—Herman Billik, so-called hypnotist and practitioner of "black art," was found guilty Thursday night of the murder of Mary Vrzal. The verdict returned by a jury in Judge Barnes' court fixed his punishment at death.

Infentially he is pronounced guilty of poisoning five members of the Vrzal family, but the specific case tried was that of Mary Vrzal. Billik took the verdict stoically. Little Edna Billik, the daughter of the prisoner, and Bertha and Jerry Vrzal, the surviving children of the ill-fated Vrzal family, made a scene in court. Billik's daughter apparently was the first to grasp the import of the verdict.

"They've deeded him," she piped sharply, and then buried her face in the lap of a woman beside her.

THREAD IS TO COST TEN CENTS.

Price of Cotton Soon to Be Boosted Again by the Combine.

New York, N. Y.—Cotton thread, until a short time ago the most stable in price of all the staples, selling the country over for 5 cents a spool, is to be advanced again, so that the retail price will be 10 cents. On May 29 there was an advance which brought the market price to 6 and 7 cents. Cotton thread for domestic use is manufactured almost exclusively by the combine. Increased cost of raw material and an advance in wages is the reason given for the contemplated increase in price. Independent manufacturers declare that neither of the reasons is good, for when cotton was selling much higher than it is now thread retailed for 5 cents.

LEFT ESTATE OF \$15,000,000.

Will of Minnesota Multi-Millionaire Leaves Bulk to Wife.

St. Paul, Minn.—A special to the Pioneer Press from Helena, Mont., says: The will of Peter Larsen, the multi-millionaire railroad contractor, banker, mining magnate, lumberman and flour mill owner, was filed with the clerk of the district court. While the bulk of the estate is left to his wife and daughter, provision is made for practically every church, hospital and charitable institution in the city, as well as for his brothers. The will contains a clause that if any legatee shall file a contest he or she shall be disinherited. The estate is roughly valued at \$15,000,000.

Hamburg.—An extensive fire in the center of the commercial district early this morning destroyed a number of warehouses. The fire is still burning and other buildings are endangered. The damage already amounts to several hundred thousand dollars. Many firemen were rendered unconscious owing to the denseness of the smoke. The fire was caused by the overturning of a petroleum lamp, which exploded.

Gives Signed Statement of Conspiracy.

Denver, Col.—W. W. Raibe, a mining man of Milwaukee, who was arrested on a federal grand jury indictment charging him and five others in connection with the Federal Coal Mining Co. with alleged fraudulent acquisition of Routt county, Colorado, coal lands, has given a signed statement to United States District Attorney Cranston, in which he goes into the details of the whole conspiracy to defraud the government.

Militia to Protect Italians.

Hahnville.—Two companies of militia were ordered here to protect from threatened lynching the four Italians convicted "without capital punishment" of the complicity in the murder of little Walter Lamana of New Orleans, who was kidnapped and strangled about a month ago. Those convicted were Mr. and Mrs. Campasciano, Col. Lagero Gendusa and Tony Costa.

West Virginia Flood Receding.

Pittsburg.—Conservative reports to the press from interior parts of West Virginia indicate that the floods caused by storms and cloudbursts during the past 48 hours are receding and that the damage will reach at least half a million dollars. Four deaths have thus far been reported.

Probe for Jerome Contributions.

New York, N. Y.—An interesting situation developed in the examination of District Attorney Jerome in the supreme court when Clarence J. Shearn, counsel for W. R. Hearst, tried to obtain the list of contributors to the campaign fund raised for Jerome prior to his last election as district attorney.

Dallas Gets Elk Convention.

Philadelphia, Pa.—The Elks, recovering from the withering heat of Thursday, set forth from Philadelphia Friday in search of pleasure at various seaside resorts, after the grand lodge adjourned, and it was announced that the next meeting will be held in Dallas, Tex.

Novelist Malhot Is Dead.

Paris, France.—Hector Henri Malhot, the novelist, is dead. He was born in 1850.

Will Name Place for Babies.

Town Creek, Ala.—Because fifteen babies have been born to six couples here in the last two weeks, a petition has been made to the postal authorities to have the name of this village changed to Teddytown.

Double Track for Siberian Railway.

St. Petersburg.—The council of ministers has definitely approved the project of double tracking the Siberian railway, and a bill functioning this project will be submitted to the next duma.

72 PERISH IN WRECK AT SEA

PASSENGER STEAMER COLUMBIA CUT DOWN BY LUMBER SHIP OFF SHELTER COVE.

SURVIVORS CLING TO WRECK

Mistake in Signals Made at Time Most of Those Aboard Sailed, and Few Escaped Panic and Seized Slight Chance to Escape.

San Francisco, Cal.—One hundred lives were lost when the steamer Columbia, northbound from this port for Portland, collided with the lumber-laden steamer San Pedro off Shelter Cove.

About 80 persons were saved by clinging to the badly damaged San Pedro, from which they were rescued later by the steamship Roanoke.

There was a heavy fog at the time and, through a mistake in signals, the San Pedro, heavily laden with lumber, struck the Columbia on the port bow with such force that she was cut down to the water and sank in about five minutes.

Capt. P. A. Doran of the Columbia went down with his vessel.

A few survivors were picked up by the San Pedro, but on account of the fog and darkness it was impossible for the crew of the latter vessel to gather in more.

The passengers and most of the crew were asleep on both steamers when the crash occurred. Many of the Columbia's passengers did not have time to get out of their staterooms. Their shrieks and groans were drowned by the overwhelming waters, while there was panic and commotion on board the San Pedro.

The San Pedro was badly damaged, but was kept afloat and her passengers, as well as those who boarded her from the Columbia, were taken off by the steamship George W. Elder, and the vessel is being towed into Eureka.

The scenes aboard the Columbia, as meagerly told in reports reaching here, were terrible. Men and their wives were parted, and many who clambered upon the San Pedro saw their loved ones swallowed up by the sea as the Columbia sank.

Carried More Than 200 People.

The Columbia left here carrying 209 passengers and a crew of about 40, under command of Capt. P. A. Doran. Soon after dark a heavy fog came on, and the steamer was feeling her way along the coast. The sea was calm, and the majority of the passengers were in their berths when Shelter Cove was passed. Capt. Doran was on the bridge, when, a few minutes later, and just after midnight, the black bulk of the San Pedro loomed up almost dead ahead. The Columbia at once reversed its engines, and Capt. Doran put the helm hard aport, but it was too late to prevent the collision.

With scarcely diminished speed the San Pedro, laden with lumber, crashed into the port bow of the passenger ship with a force that cut the steamer to the water line. Many of the passengers must have been stunned or killed in their berths, for the force of the blow was terrific, and both ships reeled apart as if they had struck solid rock.

Frenzied Panic Ensues.

Half clad and frenzied by fear, men and women rushed from the staterooms to the deck of the Columbia, which was settling rapidly by the bows. An effort was made to launch the lifeboats, Capt. Doran standing calmly on the shattered bridge of his boat and shouting his orders through a megaphone. Several of the boats had been shattered in the collision, and so quickly did the Columbia go down that there was no time to launch the others.

Cases of rare heroism are reported. It is said that in some cases where wives could escape they preferred to die with their husbands, refusing to leave the ship.

The time for escape was so short that there was little chance for argument and only those who were on deck and jumped without hesitation were saved.

Persia Will Have German Bank.

Teheran.—Parliament has accepted the amended concession to the German bank, omitting the objectionable clauses and refusing to grant any special privileges. The concession as it now stands is for thirty years and the capital is fixed at \$1,000,000.

Four Killed in One Day.

Nashville, Tenn.—Four men were killed and two probably lynched in Lake county, Tennessee, near Blue Landing, on the Mississippi river, as a result of various troubles.

Officer Cut by Prisoner.

Duquoin, Ill.—Officer Plumlee, of this city, was seriously cut by John Hammond, whom he had arrested and was about to take to jail. Plumlee is in a critical condition. Hammond escaped, but was apprehended by citizens.

Berlin—The Berlin Chamber of Commerce.

is agitating the question of setting a permanent date for Easter. It is claimed by numerous industries that the shifting Easter date is detrimental to their interests.

To Remove Orphans' Home.

Nashville, Ill.—The executive committee of the Hudsonian Orphan home, located at Ewing, Ill., has decided to remove the institution to Irvington, this county, where the old Henry college building has been purchased.

Poison from Coin Costs Arm.

Manila.—Infection of a finger, incurred during the handling of coin, has resulted in the amputation of the left arm of Major Eugene Coffin, of the pay department. Major Coffin was formerly stationed at Washington.

NEWS OF MISSOURI

MISSOURI COUNTY FAIRS.

Dates On Which Important Meets Will Be Held.

Jefferson City, Mo.—Up to date county fairs in Missouri have been scheduled as follows:

Bowling Green, Sept. 3-6; Brookfield, Aug. 27-30; Bunce, Aug. 28-30; Butler, Sept. 24-27; California, Sept. 11-14; Cape Girardeau, Oct. 8-12; Carthage, Aug. 27-30; Creve Coeur, Sept. 19-22; Cuba, Sept. 24-27; Columbia, Aug. 20-24; Dexter, Aug. 6-10; Harrisonville, Sept. 3-6; Hermann, Aug. 30-31; Hermitage, Aug. 27-30; Higginsville, July 30-Aug. 2; Holden, Aug. 27-30; Independence, Sept. 17-20; Kahoka, Aug. 27-30; Lee's Summit, Sept. 10-13; Memphis, Aug. 20-24; Mexico, Aug. 27-30; Milan, Aug. 20-23; Monroe City, Sept. 10-13; Monticello, Oct. 2-4; Palmyra, Aug. 28-31; Paris, Sept. 3-6; Platte City, Aug. 27-30; Rock Port, Aug. 6-9; Shelbyville, Aug. 20-23; Springfield, Sept. 2-7; Trenton, Sept. 3-6; Warrensburg, Sept. 10-13; Washington, Sept. 5-7.

Girls' Wages Condemned.

St. Joseph.—"Low wages drive more girls to taking up a life of shame than the wineries and saloons," said Alex. Peterson, of Galesburg, Ill., president of the first district of the Retail Clerks' Protective association. He made the statement in the discussion of the low wages paid clerks. Several other delegates took the same position, and bitterly upbraided the department stores for paying as low as \$3 a week, as declared by the officers of the association.

Engineer's Record 1,996,872 Miles.

Bismarck—Frank D. Baldwin has just completed 1,996,872 miles of travel as passenger engineer on the Iron Mountain railway, and is enjoying a brief rest here. He is well advanced in years, but is hale and hearty, and is especially proud of his favorite engine. He expects to soon pass the 2,000,000-mile mark. He has never had an accident and has been